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OCCUPATION OF BRANDFORT

Lord Roberts Reports that the Town Has
Been Occupied Without Much
Opposition.

THE POSITION IS AN IMPORTANT ONE

Seizure May Be the Means of Co-Operation With Gen. Buller—Boers Are Retreating in a Northeasterly Direction—Three Canadians Missing.

(Associated Press.)

London, May 4.—News of the occupation of Brandfort was issued by the war office at 10 o'clock this morning, thus confirming the dispatch received by the Associated Press.

It is generally considered the most important communication received from the front since the capture of Gen. Cronje and the relief of Ladysmith.

The fact that the position gives the key to one of the main roads leading to the Drakenberg passes, which possibly may be the means of co-operation with General Buller later on; provides an advance base of supplies, and at the same time

menaces the Boers.
Now southeast of Bloemfontein, is obviously the reason of the importance attached by all hands to the intelligence. The Boer army at Brandfort was commanded by Gen. Delarey. It is presumably retreating on Winburg.

Brandfort is 35 miles nearer the Transvaal capital, and is now Lord Roberts's headquarters.

What particularly gratifies the British public is the evidence that the army of Lord Roberts in the Orange Free State has recovered its mobility and is again capable of undertaking the general advance so long retarded. It is hardly expected the Boers will make much of a stand south of Kroonstad and possibly not there, if Lord Roberts

Succeeds in capturing Winburg.

thus interposing between the main Federal army and the Boer forces in the neighborhood of Thaba Nchu and Houtek, in which case the latter would be forced to move far to the eastward and their mobility would probably enable them to reach the Bethlehem and Harpersmith line of safety.

The only opposition which the British met with at Brandfort seems to have come from the Irish-American commando.

The central British army is now in line with the extreme left at Boshof under Lord Methuen, and the extreme right at Elandsdrange, under Gen. Buller, so that the moving of these wings in co-operation

with the main army may shortly be expected.

OFFICIAL DISPATCH

London, May 4.—Lord Roberts reports to the war office as follows, under the date of Brandfort, May 3rd:

"We occupied Brandfort to-day without much opposition, and without, I hope, many casualties."

"The first brigade and mounted infantry covered the left flank of the fourteenth brigade of the seventh division, and the right flank was supported by the 15th brigade."

"Pole-Carew's division advanced directly on Brandfort."

"The Boer army, which was under command of Delarey, retired in a northeasterly direction."

BOER RETREAT.

Thaba Nchu, May 3.—The Boers have evacuated Thaba Nchu hill and are believed to be still trekking, though one gun has shelled the camp indiscriminately.

Scouts report that some of the Boers retired towards Wepener.

They believe the Boers evacuated the position during the night, trekking to the northward in three directions.

Gen. French left to-day. Gen. Rundle is in command here.

It is expected that Gen. Brabant will effect a junction at any moment.

CANADIANS MISSING.

Ottawa, May 4.—The militia department to-day received a cable from Sir Alfred Milner dated Capetown, May 2nd. It says:

"1165, Pte. H. Barr, Royal Canadian regiment, died of enteric fever on April 30th at Bloemfontein, and 2551, Gunner E. Picot, D battery, Canadian artillery, died of enteric fever at De Aar to-day. (Signed) Milner."

The officer commanding the first Canadian contingent reports from Bloemfontein the death on the 2nd inst. of No. 7063, Pte. B. Liston, 90th Winnipeg Rifles. The cause of death is not given.

A militia order issued to-day has the following: "7883, Pte. J. W. Gulver (or Raymond), 62nd St. John Fusiliers, Canadian Mounted Rifles, 1st battalion, slightly wounded in action."

"The following have been reported missing since April 23rd: 410, Sgt. R. H. Ryan, reserve officer; 263, Corporal T. E. Linden, Royal Canadian Dragoons; 270, Pte. P. Hyry, Royal Canadian Dragoons."

Toronto, May 4.—An Evening Telegram cable says: "Pte. Knight, of the mounted police, was slightly wounded in the battle at Jacobusdrange in which Cotton, of Ottawa, was reported killed in yesterday's dispatch."

BURGHERS CAPTURED.

Allwal North, May 4.—Smithfield was occupied yesterday by Gen. Hart's brigade. Out of the 150 Boers in the town, 25 were captured and the rest decamped.

Ladybrand was recently full of Boer wounded, who have now been removed to Pietersburg.

SHELLING ENEMY'S LAAGER.

Warrenton, Cape Colony, May 3.—A British six-inch wire gun opened unexpectedly on the Boer laager yesterday at a distance of seven and a half miles, throwing hundred pound shells with wonderful accuracy and causing a hasty retreat of the burghers. The bombardment was continued to

day at all points by Howitzer and field guns, supported by two companies of the Munster Regiment, the Boers being driven from shelter and their guns being put out of action.

BRABANT'S POSITION.

Brabant's Camp, May 1.—The Boers at Mateteng, Brabant's division now occupies a strong position on a range of hills on the Ladybrand road, about 20 miles from Wepener.

The troops are confronted by a large force of Boers, who recently occupied Wepener, and who have now been located in the mountain known in the Free State as Zwartkopsberg.

This morning the Borderers' House, under Col. Maxwell, came in contact with the Boer outposts, but returned to camp after locating the enemy.

Later a group of 500 Boers was discovered marching past the Boer position, but the British were unable to tell whether they were friend or enemy until they had disappeared in a hollow a few miles away, when they proved to be a Boer command.

SPION KOP DISPATCHES.

Debate in the Imperial House of Commons.

London, May 4.—The House went into committee of supply to-day on the war office vote, and Mr. Walter Runciman, Liberal, started the debate on the publication of the Spion Kop dispatches. He declared the government had disregarded every consideration except publicity, and asserted that the responsibility for the publication rested entirely with politicians, "although in this case the secretary of war had deliberately attempted to throw the responsibility on the commander-in-chief." The public, Mr. Runciman asserted, had expected the recall of the censured commanders, as in the case of General Gatacre, instead of which Gen. Warren had been sent to administer a large territory, while Gen. Buller retained his command.

Mr. Wyndham, in reply, quoted the Duke of Wellington as a precedent for the publication of the dispatches. "In so doing he said he resented the grave insinuation that the secretary of war was guilty of anything dishonourable in requesting Gen. Buller to rewrite his dispatch. He added that the Marquis of Lansdowne, the war secretary, was above suspicion of being guilty of such conduct."

Mr. Runciman's motion to reduce the war office vote was rejected 215 to 116 votes.

Wiped Out By Fire

Town of Sandon Destroyed by a Conflagration Early This Morning.

Telegram Received by Mayor Hayward With News of the Misfortune.

An Associated Press dispatch from Three Forks says: "At 1:30 this morning the telegraph wires were interrupted by fire at Sandon. Word reached here this morning that the upper portion of the town was destroyed, including the Becc hotel and C. P. station. No particulars to hand. Telegraphic communication will be restored this afternoon, as soon as the new outfit, which is on the way, reaches Sandon."

Mayor Hayward also received the following dispatch from the Mayor of Sandon: "Three Forks, B. C., May 4.—Sandon completely wiped out by fire. Everything lost."

H. H. FITTS, Mayor.

No further particulars have been received, communication with the destroyed city being cut off.

Sandon is situated 20 miles from Kildon in a narrow valley at the mouth of Sandon creek. It is the terminus of the Beccan-Sakusp railway, and has a population of about 2,000. Owing to its peculiar situation it was a most likely place for a conflagration to take a foothold. Fortunately a strong struggle was made to check the flames, as the waterworks are equal, if not superior, to any in the province. The Elean Star and the Becc Miner are situated at Sandon, which is promised to become one of the most flourishing mining centres in the province. The residential portion was on a higher elevation than the business portion, and it is hoped that this part has escaped the flames.

VICE-CONSUL'S SAD DEATH.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 4.—Count Delpech, French vice-consul in this city, is dead under most distressing circumstances. He was the husband of Mme. Marie Celli, the famous teacher of singing, and former prima donna, who died April 30th. At her death, the Count devoted himself to the room with his dead wife and refused to allow the body to be removed. At length his intimate friends had to remove him. Later he was removed to the insane asylum on Ward's Island. He made several attempts to take his own life. He refused food, and last night his dead body was brought back to the city for burial.



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The Forward Movement

Lord Roberts Advancing Slowly From the Capital of Free State.

Reported Capture of Brindford Gallant Charge by Gordon Highlanders.

London, May 4.—Lord Roberts has 50,000 operating clear of the railways along a front of 40 miles. The positions are, as follows: Gen. Broadwood's cavalry brigade has reached Isabellon, 28 miles north of Thaba Nchu. Gen. Ian Hamilton is bivouacking at Jacobus, 15 miles north of Thaba Nchu; Gen. Tucker's division is moving eastward from Kamee Siding, and the divisions of Gen. French and Huddle are in and near Thaba Nchu. He is advancing slowly with some success, but nothing decisive. Yet at all points of concentration the Boers appear in force sufficient to compel the British to proceed with caution. The wide front in a rugged country makes turning movements difficult.

Observers at headquarters in Bloemfontein seem to think that the Boers are preparing to evacuate.

Brindford and Ladybrand.—The Boers are still holding Thaba Nchu district and are estimated at 4,000. They have among their guns a forty pounder.

One correspondent wiring from Bloemfontein on Wednesday, at 1.15 p.m., said the British hoped to cut off the Boer communications.

The correspondents at Kimberley have been forbidden to communicate for several days, the deduction being that a forward movement is under way there.

The Boers in Natal are restless. Two hundred crossed Sunday's river Wednesday and tried to engage the British outposts.

The Standard Bloemfontein correspondent, telegraphing on May 2nd, says: "I have just ridden hither from Thaba Nchu along the line of our advance east of Bloemfontein. The distance is fully forty miles, and yet almost every point of concentration is

Contested by the Enemy.

Gen. Buller, with the Eighth Division, is posted on our right flank with orders to guard a strong and boldly outlined frontal position in a country of decidedly difficult nature. There the Boers have posted a number of guns of superior weight and range to our own. However, they show no disposition to do more than to keep in touch with us, and to harass our advance. Further to the west Gen. Ian Hamilton, with his division of mounted infantry, is pressing northward, encountering only a desultory fire. The Highland Brigade from Valkenberg, has been engaged, while Gen. Tucker, commanding the Seventh Division, has moved eastward from Kamee Siding, and has retraced his steps, followed by the Boers. Nevertheless the cavalry, owing to the greater numbers of the enemy, have been prevented from completing the movement that was

Intended to Engrile.

the Boers on the march to Brindford, and the enemy are now prepared to offer stout resistance to any attempt to retrench hill to the southeast of Kroonstad. They will probably abandon that position as soon as their stores have been moved north. Gen. Tucker's attempt to advance on Brindford showed the Boers to be in considerable strength. The cavalry were engaged, and they lost twenty horses while under fire from pom-poms. The Boers were, however, driven from their position."

It is announced that the British have captured Brindford.

REFUSED TO SURRENDER.

Fifty Gordons Charge Through a Force of 250 Boers.

London, May 4.—The following dispatch from Thaba Nchu, dated Wednesday, appears in the Daily News: "The Boers are banking movement. Captain Towe was surrounded by 250 Boers, who demanded their surrender. Capt. Towe ordered his men to fix bayonets and charge. With a wild cheer the Gordons rushed the enemy and swept them away with great slaughter. Capt. Towe was blinded in both eyes by the enemy's fire and throughout behaved most heroically."

STORY OF SPION KOP.

Roberts Suggested that Buller Should Rewrite Dispatch, But He Declined.

London, May 3.—The telegraphic correspondence relating to the Spion Kop dispatches was issued to parliament just before midnight Thursday.

Lord Lansdowne, secretary of state for war, wired on March 28th, asking the advice of Lord Roberts about publishing the dispatches, saying: "We cannot publish all the documents enclosed with your dispatches of February 13th," and suggesting certain dispatches which in Lord Lansdowne's opinion might be published. Lord Roberts advised: "I would not feel justified in thus editing the papers, unless you concur, and you may perhaps think it well to refer to Buller. I suggest as an alternative that we should treat your dispatch of February 13th and all its enclosures

as confidential, and that Buller should send through you a full narrative of the operations. This you could forward to me, with any observations you desired to make for publication."

Lord Roberts replied on March 28th, that he had suggested Sir Redvers Buller to prepare a full narrative, but that Sir Redvers Buller had answered as follows: "I do not at all like the idea of rewriting a dispatch for publication. I much prefer to leave it in the hands of the commander-in-chief. Let him select for publication whatever he thinks proper."

To this Lord Roberts appended that he would not himself object to publication of a paper edited as Lord Lansdowne had suggested, but that it might be better to leave it to the commander-in-chief. Let him select for publication whatever he thinks proper."

This reply from Lord Lansdowne, dated April 2nd, said: "In view of Buller's objection I should like to propose that the dispatches should be rewritten, and I propose to publish the selection described in my dispatch of March 28th."

Lord Roberts answered under date of April 6th: "I agree to my dispatch of February 13th being published."

The correspondence also contains two dispatches referred to in Lord Lansdowne's dispatch of March 28th. The first is from Lord Lansdowne to Gen. Buller, dated January 5th, representing the impossibility of publishing his dispatches which "contain views of the situation and forecasts of his intentions," and emphasizing the advisability of sending dispatches descriptive of operations for presentation to parliament.

The second is from Lord Lansdowne to Lord Roberts, dated February 6th, and saying: "You will, I feel sure, agree with me that Methuen's dispatch regarding Magersfontein could not be published as sent. There are passages in it inappropriate to such documents, and it also gives information of importance to the enemy. If he knew I will revise the dispatch, but I prefer not to undertake this responsibility. I suggest that you should ask him to cancel this dispatch and to write another."

The correspondence does not indicate whether Lord Methuen rewrote the dispatch as suggested. The Spion Kop dispatches were exactly the selection suggested in Lord Lansdowne's dispatch of March 28th.

RISE IN BULGARIA.

Peasants Disarm Soldiers—Thirty Persons Killed or Wounded.

Sofia, Bulgaria, May 3.—The rising of peasants in the vicinity of Rusechuk is assuming large proportions. The peasants have succeeded in disarming some troops and have used the rifles against others. Two officers and 15 men have been killed or wounded. A similar number of peasants fell.

About three thousand peasants are now marching on Rusechuk against two battalions of troops sent to defend the town.

THE RAILROAD DISPUTE.

Buffalo, May 3.—A hitch has developed in the proposed meeting between railway officials and an executive committee of the car repairers' association scheduled for 10 o'clock. It is stated that the superintendents of the respective lines refuse to go into a joint conference, and that a number of separate conferences have been arranged so that each road can deal with its own employees.

When Mr. Turner had sat down, a gentleman came forward and, amid much interruption, submitted the following question:

"Chief of the executive when certain blank warrants were laid before the Governor, did you give your consent?"

The questioner added that he asked the question because people on the street were talking about the matter, and many of them said he (Mr. Turner) was honest to seek to obtain money surreptitiously.

Mr. Turner explained that the charge had gone to a committee at his request, and the committee declared the charge absurd, and would not even report on it.

"Yes, he did," was the reply, "but I don't know that he did so intentionally."

Continuing, Mr. Turner said that the blank warrants were placed to the one with the total appropriation. The latter the Governor signed, but the blank one was merely to fill in the details of the appropriation in total, and could not exceed the latter. It was an arrangement for the convenience of the auditor and Deputy Minister of Finance.

"Then when the Governor said you endeavored to obtain money surreptitiously, he lied?" continued the questioner.

"Yes, that's it, he lied, he lied!" shouted grandiose from the bench, but the speaker only added, "Well, I wouldn't like to say that."

Mr. Turner said he now believed the Governor in a mild sort of way admitted he was wrong. The speaker complained that if the Governor found any other way to get money, he would be should, in common courtesy, have asked for an explanation, which he never did.

"My son Tommy, my son Tommy," somewhat irrelevantly shouted the irresponsible front benchman, and the matter dropped.

Hon. Fred. W. Peters received an

ovation on coming forward to address the audience. It was the first time, he said, that he had ever been assisted on the platform by so many good Conservatives. (Laughter.) He had never before been on a platform to assist Conservatives, because he was a good Liberal, and always hoped to be one. He wanted to explain why he could appear with Conservatives in this election.

"Usually in an election there were two parties with two distinctly opposite platforms and acts of principles opposed to one another. In this election it was different. No party had been asked to support Mr. Martin or his platform. They were asked to say whether they wanted Mr. Martin or not. He would submit three reasons why Mr. Martin should not be returned. There were three things that British Columbia didn't want:

In the first place British Columbia didn't want to have any more immigration and the man who had been temporarily demoted away with it was not to be trusted.

In the second place the province wanted all the capital in the country that it wanted, and it didn't want the man who had been temporarily demoted away with it was not to be trusted.

In the third place they wanted all the people in the province possible, excepting Japs and Chinese. They wanted all the Americans who would come in and become good British subjects. The man who prevented people from coming in was an enemy to British Columbia, and no Liberal or Conservative should vote for him.

"On these grounds the political leadership of Mr. Martin should be forever stopped. He was therefore supporting the man who prevented people from coming in. (Laughter.)

"Am I right?" said Mr. Peters, followed by a chorus of "yes and noes."

"Let me see if I am right," he added. "I am not going back to Mr. Martin's record in Manitoba. But he is a rash experimental man and British Columbia can't afford to be experimented on. Let us look at his platform.

"One of the chief things he is going to do is to repeal the alien law. The Minister of Justice has given him the trouble, but that doesn't matter. (Laughter.) You know in the days of the pirates prisoners were compelled to walk the plank. That's what Mr. Martin is doing. He was the man responsible for that alien legislation. Now he says the best thing is to repeal it. Why? Because he is an experimental man. He passed that plank with his eyes shut, and now he is walking it with his eyes open. (Laughter.) It was his boast that a great deal of the legislation of 1890 was his own.

"Now we come to the eight-hour law. I am not seeking anyone's votes, nor am I pandering to any one. It was a mistake. You are not going to regulate these matters by passing stringency legislation. Two resolutions were introduced, between such men as Ralph Smith and Commissioner Clute is worth ten times of legislation. They didn't know what the effect of that law would be. So they kept the matter in hand by providing that no prosecution for infraction of the act should take place until the Crown prosecutor took it up.

Campaign Opened

The Opposition Candidates Enunciate Their Position to the Electors.

A Clever Speech by Hon. Fred. Peters From a Liberal Standpoint.

The Mongolian Question and the Government Railway Policy Discussed.

There was a good attendance at the A.O.U.W. Hall last night, when the opposition candidates made their bow to the electors in the present campaign. The meeting was fairly orderly, although a number of interruptions and applause at certain points where the speakers did not expect it indicated that those opposed to the opposition ticket were present in not considerable force.

Clive Phillips Volney, chairman of the permanent committee of the opposition, presided, and in addition to the candidates there were present on the platform Hon. Fred. Peters, ex-Liberal Premier of Prince Edward Island, and Frank Higgins, also a Liberal. The presence of these gentlemen was explained at a later stage in the proceedings.

A voice—You may laugh, but it's a fact. Continuing, he said that the author of the Martin railway policy was either densely ignorant of railway matters, or was deliberately misleading the people. (Applause.) He referred to the clause stating that the government proposed to borrow \$5,000,000, all of which would go away to private corporations.

In elucidating his position, the speaker said British Columbia could not go into the London market and get twelve or even eight million dollars, because, as in private business, there was a limit to borrowing power.

A voice—You don't believe in government ownership of railways? Mr. Turner—It might be, in the case of the Dominion government, though I am not a proponent of it.

The speaker said that a self-contained colony, such as New Zealand, might undertake such a policy, because they could fall back on an increase in taxation. But British Columbia had only land tax, personal property tax, income tax, miners' license and miners' fees as income. It was as reasonable to expect the village of Esquimalt to build a railway to Cape Scott as for British Columbia to build the Coast-Kootenay road.

The speaker ridiculed Mr. Martin's statement that the Coast-Kootenay road could be built for \$25,000 a mile. The average cost per mile in Canada was \$30,474, and in the United States \$55,570, while in British Columbia it would be much more costly. It would cost at least \$40,000 a mile. Even if he could secure the money at 44 per cent, it would cost \$450,000 for interest. This immense sum of money was for 200 miles of road, while the actual length of the road was 400 miles. This was the sum of the brains of the party to which he belonged. (Applause.)

Capt. Volney, who presided, said the meeting was scarcely political. It was an alliance of British Columbia citizens to oppose the devil and also his works, and to restore the prosperity which had formerly belonged to the province.

A voice—Who do you call the devil? Capt. Volney—I'll answer you. The devil represents to me any one who does evil, and the man who does evil in British Columbia is Hon. Jos. Martin. That is a straight answer. (Applause.)

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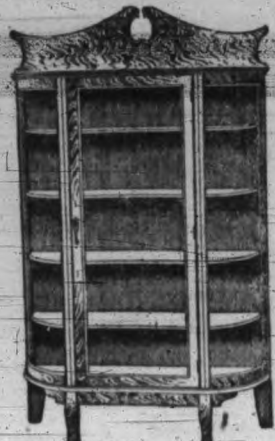
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Items of Interest to Many Persons.

Miss Beverly Robinson (Mrs. Houston) was, while in Vancouver, the guest of Mrs. Campbell Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nichol, of Vancouver, paid a short visit to Victoria this week, staying at the Mount Baker Hotel, Oak Bay.

Mr. Albert Langley and Mr. Jack Hamilton, both recently returned from McGill University, are spending the vacation with their friends here. Mr. Charlie Wilson has also returned from Toronto University.

Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. Solly and Miss Parker have returned to town after spending a most enjoyable holiday at Lake Shawinigan. This resort is fast becoming a favorite with those who like to take occasionally a short holiday near home.

Victoria will be sorry to lose Mrs. Fred Peters, who, with her children, is leaving town shortly for a long visit to England. During Mrs. Peters' residence here she has made many friends, who will be very glad to welcome her back again.

Mrs. J. M. Rayner's home, Cadboro Bay road, was the scene of a pretty little tea last Friday. The charming hostess received many friends during the afternoon. In her prettily decorated rooms. Besides many others the guests included Mrs. J. D. Helmcken and Mrs. Walter Nichol, of Vancouver, who gave some delightfully rendered songs during the afternoon.

A very pretty wedding took place in the Cathedral on Monday last, when Miss Katie Wolfenden and Mr. P. B. Fowler, of the Bank of British Columbia, were married. The bride, in a handsome white silk gown and veil of Brussels net embroidered, and the regulation orange blossoms, was given away by her father, Lieut.-Col. Wolfenden. She carried a beautiful shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and white carnations and asparagus fern. She was attended by her sister, Miss Maggie Wolfenden, who wore a very pretty white tulle of organdy and lace. Mr. H. P. Langton acted as best man. The guests comprised only the near relatives of the bride. Their friends will be all glad to welcome and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Fowler when they return from the honeymoon trip and take up their residence in their new home.

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A fair number of golfers from Victoria went to Portland for the golf tournament played there this last week. Major and Mrs. A. W. Jones and Miss Hills were among the enthusiasts.

The many friends of Mrs. E. A. Willmot, formerly of this city, but now living in Chilliwack, will be glad to hear that she is in town, the guest of Mrs. E. C. B. Hamilton, of Blanchard street.

The pupils of the Austin Conservatory of Music gave a very pleasant recital in the hall on Wednesday under the direction of Mrs. H. Walke-Windle. A great many friends were present, who enjoyed the good programme presented.

A wedding which was solemnized at St. Mark's church, Berkeley, California, April 18th, last, will interest many Victorians, the bride being Miss Aspland, formerly of this city, who was united in marriage to Mr. Stewart, of Nelson, B. C. The best wishes and congratulations of their friends are extended to the happy couple, who will make their home in Nelson.

Mr. G. A. Taylor, of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, with Mrs. Taylor, were among the passengers who sailed on Sunday evening last for San Francisco, where they intend spending a short holiday. Though comparatively a short time in Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have become exceedingly popular in social circles. Universal regret has been expressed that owing to ill health Mrs. Taylor's charming presence was missed at many of the socials. It is hoped she will return greatly improved in health.

From London comes an interesting report of the work of a committee whose work is to send "comforts for the Canadian contingents in South Africa." This committee has been in communication with Col. Otter by cable, finding out what are the needs of the men in the field, and have already sent out generous supplies, especially of woollen socks, which were added to the list at the suggestion of the president, H. H. Prince-Lewis. Other members of the committee are the Baroness Macdonald of Earncliffe, Lady Mount Stephen, Lady Strathcona and Mount Royal, Lady Stanley Clarke, Madame Albani-Gye, the Hon. Mrs. Howard, Mrs. John Paton

and others more or less prominently connected with Canada. Lord Strathcona is treasurer.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen have reason to feel a deep personal interest in the war, for many of their near relatives are at the front. The Hon. Robert Bruce, eldest son of Lord and Lady Balfour, of Burleigh, is a nephew of Lord Aberdeen, and is with the 1st British militia. The Hon. Dudley Mather, of the Life Guards, only son of Lord and Lady Tweedmouth, and Lieut. Lindsay, of the Seaforth Highlanders, are both nephews of Lady Aberdeen; while Capt. Alexander Gordon, of the Royal Horse Artillery, son of the late Sir Alexander Gordon, is Lord Aberdeen's cousin.

The Willing Workers could scarcely have had a more beautiful day than Wednesday last for their annual sale of work. Vancouver House, the residence of Archdeacon and Mrs. Scriven, with its perfect lawns and beautiful gardens, presented a lovely picture. The rooms were prettily decorated with flowers and roses abounding everywhere. The ladies present greatly admired the varied assortment of dainty fancy work, and it was readily disposed of, making a neat sum for the benefit of this worthy cause. Tea and cake was dispensed by the president, Mrs. Scriven, assisted by a host of charming young girls. Altogether the affair, as all affairs at Vancouver House, was a most enjoyable one, and the society is in addition well pleased with the results of the sale.

The crowded drill hall on Sunday evening last was another splendid tribute to the well known generosity of Victoria. Perhaps no city in Canada has contributed more freely to our own fair city during the past few months, when so many funds, every one of them deserving, have been requiring assistance. The cause of humanity never appeals to Victorians in vain, and the spontaneous re-countrymen in Hull, as the telegrams received by Col. Gregory will show. The entertainment in itself was of a very high order, and the applause, while generous, was well merited. Col. Gregory and the Fifth Regiment, together with the ladies and gentlemen who gave their services so freely for sweet charity's sake, deserve the thanks of the community.

The Biograph views, now being given at the drill hall in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, are becoming more popular with every successive performance, the singing of Miss Beverly Robinson being in itself a rare treat, while the recitations by Mr. Smiley mark him as a finished elocutionist. The views in themselves are most realistic and thrilling. One almost hears the bugle's blast as the troops march past. Of course the popular heroes, Roberts, White, French, Mechin, Kitchener, Macdonald and our own Col. Otter and Herchmer come in for a special rate of commendation. The school children, and none enjoyed it more than they. Their attention should be encouraged, for perhaps nothing will so fast instill into their minds the love of flag

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Mrs. W. E. Green, of Nanaimo, has been the guest of Mrs. George Courtney, of Cadboro Bay road during her recent visit here. The many friends that Mrs. Green has made by her beautiful voice in the recent oratoria, hope that they may have many more opportunities of hearing this favorite vocalist.

Victoria will soon lose Col. and Mrs. Peters, whose charming personality will be much missed in society circles. Mrs. Peters and family leave on Sunday to join Col. Peters in Toronto, where they will make their home for the future. During their residence of many years in Victoria, Col. and Mrs. Peters have made many friends, who will look forward to seeing them back again soon, if only for a visit. In the person of little Miss Grace Peters musical circles will miss one of the most promising young violinists.

It will interest those in scholastic circles here, and also the school board, to learn that the Countess of Minto has been visiting the schools in Ottawa recently. Nor did her interest end here, for Her Excellency held a conference with the members of the school board and carefully inquired into the studies pursued by the children. She suggested that it might be advisable to introduce domestic science into the schools, and presented and explained the subject thoroughly. Its aims and advantages were made clear to the board, and it is likely that its members will act upon Her Excellency's suggestions at the next meeting. Members of the local board please take note.

Of course all the gay world went to one or other of the performances of the "Messiah," some even went to both. These were not many. Either the average Victorian is not educated up to orchestra music or else is so hyper-critical that, having heard this work sung by a first-class chorus and professional soloists, does not like to destroy the impression by listening to it again sung by amateurs. Of course there are many exceptions, and to these gallant exceptions is due the united thanks of the singers for the feeble applause which greeted their efforts. The attendance was all that could possibly be desired, but surely from so great a number of people a little more enthusiasm might have been expected. Far be it from me to criticize the performance, which has already received such favorable notices in the daily papers. Suffice it to say that the production was a credit to our musical city, and Nanaimo, and only showed what can be accomplished when we are united by a worthy and patriotic cause under the leadership of a tactful and popular conductor.

The hall was decorated with flags, and it was an excellent idea for the performers to wear red, white or blue sashes and rosettes. The effect was large and striking. At the beginning of the concert, Queen Victoria's portrait was placed in the hall, and the singing of the hymn "God Save the Queen" afforded food for much thought,

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BREAK IN RESERVOIR

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Denver, Colo., May 3.—The Denver Water Company's new dam in Platte canyon, 25 miles from here, broke this morning, releasing a billion gallons of water stored in the reservoir. Although the flood will reach Denver today, it is not expected to do any damage here, but may cause trouble for ranchmen and the railways in the eastern part of the state, where the river is already very high and out of its bed. The Castlewood dam at the head of Cherry creek is leaking badly, and it is believed that it will give way soon.

THE COLOMBIAN REVOLUTION.

Kingston, Jama., May 3.—News brought here to-day from Colombia says the rebels are getting the best of the fight in that Republic and are expected to enter Bogota de Toro. The situation is considered serious. Colombia is under martial law, and the crews of the ships in port have been warned not to go ashore after dark. Up to April 30th nothing was known at Colon about the reported capture of Carthagen by the rebels.

DESTRUCTIVE FOREST FIRE.

Bridgeport, N.J., May 3.—A fierce fire has been burning since last night in the woods between Cedarville and Centre Grove. Thousands of acres of valuable oak and pine have been reduced to ashes, and the loss will be enormous. Snakes, rabbits, lizards and other denizens of the forest were driven into the roads by the flames, and it was almost impossible to walk without stepping upon them.

MASSONS' CONTRIBUTION.

New York, May 3.—At the meeting to-day of the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., of the state of New York, a telegram was received from the Grand Lodge of Canada thanking the New York Grand Lodge for voting \$2,000 for the Ottawa fire sufferers.

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LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

Compared with the attendance at the opening meeting of the Premier, the attendance at A. O. U. W. hall last evening was a small one, and the enthusiasm was not of the boisterous variety. The opposition candidates may still feel confident of victory, but they will probably admit that it is clear now they will have no walk over. Not so long ago very few people would have denied that the government candidates were likely to lose their deposits. There is a feeling abroad that the Premier is gaining strength on the Mainland, and this belief is reflected in the increasing confidence of his supporters here. The complete absence of party lines was illustrated by the presence on the platform of Mr. Peters and by the reading of a letter from Mr. Bodwell announcing his opposition to the government of Mr. Martin. Mr. Peters made the most effective speech of the evening and aroused the only spark of enthusiasm that was kindled. The Premier, however, should be judged by his past record is capable of effective application to some at least of the men whose cause he was upholding last night. The history of the misdeeds of the Turner government is writ in very enduring characters all over this province and will still remain after many generations have passed away.

Mr. Turner's remarks on the railway question were the most convincing portion of his address. It would be well for those who are so vehement in their assertions that a system of government railways in British Columbia at the present time is feasible to read his points carefully and refute his contentions if they can. We do not believe it can be done. We shall be pleased if the objections we have set forth in opposition to this plank in the Premier's platform can be overcome, but we are convinced that no argument that can be advanced either from the experience of other places that have tried this experiment or from the reasons of those who have delayed deep into the subject of

government ownership of monopolistic franchises can justify the province of British Columbia entering into such experiments at the present time. It is all very well to expound learnedly on airy theories and abstract propositions in regard to government ownership, but when it comes to dealing with a concrete, substantial undertaking like constructing a line of railway from three to four hundred miles in length in this province it is likely to be found that theory and practice are in conflict. British Columbia is one of the most difficult countries in the world to build railways in. Its territory is very large and its population very small. As an entirely local road, would a railway from the Coast to Kootenay earn enough to pay interest on the capital invested in its construction, accumulate a sinking fund and defray working expenses? These are the matters that need to be looked into before we commit ourselves to such an undertaking. If such a railway could not attract sufficient business to do all this, then how much would it be likely to cost short of it: how much would the taxpayers be called upon to contribute to keep it going, and would the burden be likely to prove greater than they could bear? We should be informed on these things, and capitalists would insist on knowing them before they could be induced to supply the funds for the undertaking. A computation has been made that the tolls which might be collected on the transportation of ore from the interior to smelters on the coast would be sufficient to pay all charges against the road, but there are as yet no smelters on the coast, and if there were there is no likelihood of ore being transported so far when it can be reduced just as advantageously near the mines and the great cost of such long hauls saved. We also see by the interior papers that this is one of the most unpopular planks in the Premier's platform as far as the question of ore shipping is concerned; the people up there would prefer to have their ore treated nearer home.

It was an unfortunate thing for the province Mr. Turner did not discover what a bad bargain the B. C. Southern deal was before it was consummated. He is no doubt right in his contention that there should be no repudiation, but he cannot divert himself of the responsibility for the alienation of a property which was worth no one knows how many millions of dollars. If the Dominion government had not taken a hand in the game and secured 50,000 acres of coal lands for the benefit of the people the interior might have been cursed with a coal monopoly which would have seriously retarded mining development.

MR. BROWN, FINANCE MINISTER.
The acceptance by Mr. J. C. Brown, of New Westminster, of the important post of Finance Minister will do a great deal to remove the feeling of uneasiness that was created by the appointment of Mr. Ryder to that position. It is true the Premier contended that the late minister was one of the ablest men who ever superintended the finances of this province, but the public had not had the opportunities of Mr. Martin to become acquainted with the gifts of Mr. Ryder, and under the circumstances a little scepticism was not unnatural. The Times, in the goodly company of nearly the entire press of the province, raised a protest at the time the late Finance Minister was sworn in, and it is a satisfactory tribute to the influence of the press to know that our counsel was not without its effect. We have no desire to reflect at all on the abilities of Mr. Ryder. He may have had all the qualifications the Premier said he possessed, but when a man is selected for the high position of a minister of the crown under the peculiar political conditions that now prevail in British Columbia, the public have a right to insist that they shall not have to wait several months for proof of his abilities.

THE BOERS ARE THIRDS.

The bighorns are undoubtedly wearying of the war. The campaign in the Free State has not practically broken up without serious loss to the British forces, telling to show the weakness and lack of resolution of those defending the Transvaal, for that is the great object of the present operations. The invasion cannot now be prevented for any length of time, and the great desire of Kruger's heart, to preserve his country from desecration by the feet of the foe, he must now be aware, will never be accomplished. The small losses to the British with which the operations are now being conducted prove either that the Boers are growing faint-hearted or that those officers under Lord Roberts are imbuing wisdom and knowledge of the tactics of the enemy—probably a combination of both accounts for it.

It is said that the punishment of the Sunnyside rebels captured by the Canadians has created a very painful impression among the Dutch in Cape Colony, and a story has been sent abroad, which has not received much credence, that an attempt has been made by Durban to blow up a British transport with an in-

fernal machine of some sort. The authorities are not likely to be turned from their purpose of meting out justice to those deserving of it by such stories or even by attempts of such a diabolical character.

A feature of the campaign which is very cheering to the British is the joy which seems to have taken possession of the native population at the continued success of the operations of Lord Roberts. Their jubilation proves that there are others than British subjects who will welcome a change in the political conditions in South Africa. As the Archbishop of Capetown told Sir Alfred Milner, it is his firm conviction that no enduring peace can be secured so long as the northern republics are allowed to retain their independence. His Grace believes that "the cause of freedom, righteousness and progress, as well as justice to the native races, depends upon the establishment of British rule throughout South Africa."

At the Biograph entertainment in the drill hall yesterday afternoon Mr. Owen Smiley said the school children of Victoria were the best behaved of any he had yet entertained. This has been drawn to the notice of the press by one of the teachers, who seems to think we have not yet been sufficiently humiliated over this thing. We desire to call the attention of our brother in affliction across the road to this new phase of an irritating subject, with the hope that he will also make a note of it and end the unhappy controversy. These teachers have a very embarrassing habit of talking back which should not be encouraged.

Here is a small sample of the sublime eloquence which only emanates from the lips of the orator, and which we obligingly print for the benefit of Mr. McPhillips. He might work it in on the occasion of the meeting he threatens to get even with those who shut him out last night. Mr. Nicholas Flood Davis, the member for a place which was once called Pile of Bones, said in the House of Commons: "The time is at hand when this government, false, rotten and unsubstantial, that now sits like a nightmare on the bosom of the people of Canada, will meet its doom, when the people of Canada will awake and the horrible mockery disappear."

The man Dullman, who is charged with others with attempting to blow up the locks of the Willand canal, endangering the lives of thousands of people and threatening the destruction of millions of dollars worth of property, said to the magistrate before whom he came for a preliminary hearing: "As an American citizen I demand that the evidence against me be produced." Strange to say, nobody seems to have been overcome by this most potent invocation, and the trial went along just the same as if he had been a common Britisher.

A contemporary points out the fact that General Wolfe three years before his death wrote: "We are the most egregious blunders in war that ever took the hatchet in hand; that prevailing ignorance in military affairs has been fatal to us in all our undertakings." However, by sticking to the matter with a persistence which few equal us we have generally gained all that was considered desirable.

It is true there are just as effective ways of calling the attention of the Imperial and Dominion governments to the evils of Oriental immigration as those of re-enacting all bills which have been disallowed. That style of doing business may have its attractions for certain kinds, but it is not likely to appeal so strongly to statesmen as "reasoning together."

It was a cruel blow at Mr. McPhillips' reputation as an orator to place him last on the list of speakers last night. He is said to have made one of the best speeches, too. If the party lines movement had been successful it might have been different.

CELEBRATION SUGGESTIONS.

To the Editor:—I would like to make a couple of suggestions for our holiday celebration, which, I think, if carried out would add to the entertainment and amusement of everybody. First, as school is so well represented in our city by both ladies and gentlemen, a grand torch parade and three or more prize races for the boys decorated in line. I think would make a great thing, and an illuminated parade at night. Second, a gymnasium procession on, say, the morning of the 24th. I have never seen one, but have heard they are very amusing, and it would tend to put everyone in good humor for the remainder of the celebration. No doubt a great many of your readers will understand the nature of this comic parade. I might also say that the bicycle parade could be arranged to allow outsiders to take part if necessary.

A. K. F.

LUCKY BOBS.

Chicago Times-Herald.
When you start for home again,
Little Bob,
As the possessor of men,
Lucky Bob,
You may wear a hero's crown
And go riding up and down
With the freedom of the town,
General Bob.
Honor's pride may swell in you,
Little Bob,
There may be a dukedom, too,
For you, Bob,
But from one thing you'll be free,
Lucky Bob,
The boring of the beam—
Lucky Bob.

THE GRACE FOR LIGHT.
Mora O'Neill.
When we were little children we had a
quartz vein house.
Away up in the heather by the head of
Brabla's burn.
The hares we'd see them scottin' an' we'd
hear the grouse grouse.
An' when we were in at night y'd
not get room to turn.

The youngest two she'd put to bed, their
faces to the wall.
An' the lare of us could sit aroun', just
anywhere we might.
Herself 'ud take the rush-dip an' light it
for us all.
An' "God be thanked!" she would say—
"now we have a light."

Then we be to get the laughter an' push,
in on the floor,
An' think on One who called us to come
and be forgiven;
Himself 'ud put his pipe down, an' say
the good word more,
"May the Lamb and lead us all to the
Light of Heaven!"

There's a when things that need to be
an' now has had their day.
The nice Glee of Antrim can show ye
many a sight.
But not the quare wee house where we
lived up Brabla's way.
Nor a child in all the blue Glee that
knows the grace for light.

HOME LIBERAL IMPERIALISM.

London, England, Chronicle.
It is no longer necessary to be anti-
Liberal to be Imperialist; therefore we
can regard without apprehension the ad-
vent of a new propaganda body formed
for the purpose of keeping before the
Liberal party its responsibilities towards
the world-wide British Empire. Within
the scope of the programme of the Im-
perial Liberal Movement there is ample op-
portunity for useful and desirable work
of a missionary kind, and we agree with
the remark of Mr. Perks at yesterday's
inaugural meeting that it is necessary to
impress the popular mind with the fact
that the word "Imperial" has quite a dif-
ferent meaning for the Liberal party now
from what it had twenty years ago. It
no longer represents an aggressive mania;
it is now the expression of a desire
for consolidation, unity, and the free
articulation of the members of the great
British confederation. Such a mission is
entirely laudable, and, with tact and
prudence, it will secure solid and enthu-
sastic support in the party. Even Conserv-
ative opinion is awakening to the fact that
we have undertaken the administration of
as much of the earth's habitable surface
as we can conveniently manage, and we
have no reason to differ from this view.
But while we have no desire for aggrandisement it is necessary to make it
clear that we intend to keep what we
have, and to develop and administer it
to the best advantage of all concerned. This
is the true Imperial Liberal policy, and
we make no doubt that it would be Mr.
Lindsay's policy if he were alive to-day.

TIMELY WARNING.

The Lancet.
The pathology which now conditions of
life is ever creating trends more and more
serious, because the absence of
sleep may play a prominent causative
part. We improve our sanitation and our
general hygiene, and we abolish the
plagues of our forefathers; but we work
our nervous systems more in a day than
they did a week, and we fall victims to
insomnia, and the whole train of nervous
disorders in which worry, overwork, and
want of sleep occur as etiological factors.
Sleep all men must have who use their
brains much, and especially all men whose
work is associated with extra worries.

A DREAM.

Seculo, Lisbon.
Lord Roberts entered Lisbon, and
all seemed nearly ended for the Boers.
One month afterwards the Boers
were threatened with being ejected
from the very capital they occupied.
Roberts' army is annihilated, as all the
English armies will after a short time be
to South Africa. The Boers are attacked
by the plague, and the combat, the
climate, the diseases that separate the
bases of operations, the necessity for pro-
tecting with enormous losses of men all
lines of communication in a hostile coun-
try, all these united will do the rest.

THE TOUGH BRITISH EMPIRE.

Grahamstown Journal, Cape Colony.
Predatory powers which have been hop-
ing to profit by our country's decadence
will now look round for something not
quite so much as the British Empire. To
set their teeth in. For the present war
is not merely for the settlement of South
Africa—it is an answer to all and sundry
who questioned whether England were
prepared to defend her immense posses-
sions and her political predominance.

A SACRED DUTY.

Khan in Toronto Star.
I will tell you what we want in this
city. We want a Peter the Hermit to
preach marriage! To preach it from the
top of the tower of the city hall. To pre-
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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, May 4.—5 a. m.—With the exception of a small and moderate high in central Manitoba, a low area covers the Pacific Coast states and the British possessions from the ocean to the Great Lakes. Rainfall has been light and the weather generally cloudy. A thunderstorm occurred last night both here and at Tacoma.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday, Victoria and vicinity—Moderate southerly and southeasterly winds, mostly cloudy and warm, with occasional light showers. Lower Mainland—Light winds, chiefly cloudy and warm, with occasional showers.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, 51; minimum, 50; wind, 12 miles S.; rain, .02; weather, cloudy.
New Westminster—Barometer, 29.80; temperature, 54; minimum, 52; wind, 4 miles N. E.; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.
Nanaimo—Wind, S. E.; weather, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, 54; minimum, 52; wind, calm; weather, fair.
San Francisco—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 58; minimum, 54; wind, 4 miles N. E.; rain, .02; weather, fair.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Mason's English Root Beer is best.
—Try the Native Sons Cigar, manufactured by Meiss & Co.

—Ask your druggist for Gibbons' Toothache Gum. Price 10c.
—The Times acknowledges the addition of \$2.50 to the Ottawa-Hull relief fund from "T. P."

—You will find in the B. C. Guide, 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C.

—The variety and excellence of this Spring's stock at Fit-Reform Wardrobe excels that of all former seasons.

—Tree Pruners, Pruning Knives, Hedge Trimmers and Garden Tools cheap for cash, at R. A. Brown & Co., 86 Douglas street.

—The closing dance of Mrs. Dickson's pupils will be held in the O. U. W. hall this evening. These functions have been so enjoyable that a large audience is assured.

—The subscriptions to the mayor's list for the Ottawa-Hull relief fund will be forwarded by telegraph to-morrow. Those holding subscriptions and wishing to forward them at the same time may do so by communicating with the mayor.

—All the newest Patterns for Spring in Tailor-made Suits at Fit-Reform Wardrobe.

—Mr. Geo. Koenig, who has for years conducted the popular hotel at Shawnigan Lake, wishes to remind the public that the name of the station has been changed from Shawnigan Lake to Koenig's, and that his patrons should leave the train at the latter station, namely, Koenig's.

—The Dominion Trading Stamp Co. have leased their show rooms, corner of Broad and Fort streets, for another year. During this week plate-glass fronts will be placed in, and the premises altered and improved. While this is in progress business will be carried on as usual, and customers are requested to overlook any inconvenience that may result.

—The many friends and admirers of J. M. Finn, bandmaster of the Fifth Regiment band, will be glad to hear that it is the intention of the members of this popular organization to tender him a complimentary concert in the drill hall on Saturday, May 19th. The date originally selected was May 15th, but owing to strong counter attractions it has been deemed advisable to choose an evening that will not clash with anything else.

—Boys' Blouses, the greatest range in the city at 37 Johnson street, McCandless Bros.

—The audience greeted the Boston Lyric Opera Company when they presented Wallace's ever popular opera "Maritana" at the Victoria theatre last night. The members of the company are certainly increasing their popularity, and last evening several of them had to respond to hearty encores. In the title role Josephine Stanton sang a success and her singing was much appreciated. As Lazarilla, Maud Leckley gave an excellent representation and delighted the audience with "Alas These Chimes." The duet between these two ladies in the last act was received with great applause, and they responded to strong counter attractions. The Baron Harry Hallam left little to be desired. His acting throughout was excellent, and he seemed to have thoroughly grasped the composer's idea of the character. He, too, had to respond to an encore for "Let Me Like a Soldier Fall." Frank Maslin, as Don Jose, and George Kunkel, as Charles II., were both successful in their parts. The other characters were all in good hands. To-night "La Mascotte" and the fourth act of "Rigoleto" will be given. Russo, the tenor, will sing in the latter opera. "Maritana" will be given at the matinee to-morrow afternoon, while "Faust" will hold the board in the evening.

Phone 44 for Pacific beer.

—Try Mason's English Root Beer.

—G. & J. Dunlop and M. & W. Tires. Rambler Cyclery, Weller Bros.

—Maxims are of great use these days. Let your maxim be "Use Hoadi Tea."

—House awnings and cosy corners made to order at Smith & Champion's, 100 Douglas street.

—Tea Pots, Jugs and other goods in great variety just opened at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

—Carpets cleaned and laid and lounges and mattresses repaired at Smith & Champion's, 100 Douglas street.

—Fix up your old bike. Saddles, handle-bars, etc., carried over stock. Cheap. Rambler Cyclery, Weller Bros.

—Scientific Tailoring has realized its highest pitch in the new garments for Spring at Fit-Reform Wardrobe.

—Victoria Cafe—Excellent lunch, choice dinner, well appointed room, attentive waitresses. Afternoon tea with cream and everything nice. Try it.

—Smokers—Mr. A. G. Franklin, for the past several years employee of R. A. Morris, Tobaccoist, can be seen at Frank Campbell's cigar store, Old Post Office, Government street. Hello Frank & Bart.

—Last evening Dominion Lodge, No. 4, elected Jno. Bell, Richard Drake and Edward Bragg delegates to the Grand Lodge, which meets here to-day, the alternative being P. Kennedy, F. A. Babbington and W. Merfield.

—Received today a large shipment of woollens from the well-known firm of Mann, Bryn & Co., Glasgow. If you wish a nobby suit for the 24th we would advise you to inspect these goods. We make a specialty of \$5 pants. Kinnaird, the Cash Tailor, 62 Johnson street.

—British Columbia people going to Spokane, Butte, Helena, Minneapolis, St. Paul, or the East, will enjoy the luxurious ease afforded by the Northern Pacific's new North Coast Limited, in service on and after April 29th. Up-to-date Standard Pullmans and the crack Tourist cars of the Northwest on this new train.

—Fruit Boxes—A full line of strawberry, plum and small fruit baskets and crates, apple and pear boxes, also butter plates, can be had in any quantities at F. R. Stewart & Co.'s, wholesale provision and fruit merchants, 40 Yates street, who have secured the agency of the British Columbia Mfg. Co., Ltd., New Westminster. Call and inspect before purchasing elsewhere.

—There is something along the route of the C. P. R. in all probability in the province of Manitoba, a thief who deserves the questionable distinction of being perhaps the meanest of all who in the Western hemisphere has broken that flat of the decalogue which forbids stealing. On Easter Monday Miss Wolfender and Mr. C. R. Innes were united in marriage and Mr. Innes's parents in England had shipped a handsome wedding present of plate, which was of very high value. While the box was en route, however, the thief referred to cleverly opened it, extracted the contents and substituted instead a basket of what was evidently Manitoba grain; the box arriving at its destination on Friday last. The thief has not yet been apprehended, and the only clue to the identification of the enclosed grain by experts is that which sprouts in the Prairie Province.

—Boys' 2-piece Suits worth \$2.50 to \$4.00 for \$1.75 at 37 Johnson street, McCandless Bros.

—The school children took complete possession of the drill hall yesterday afternoon, the occasion being the matinee exhibition of the biograph views, and an approximate idea of the extent of the party may be conceived when it is considered that the large hall was crowded to the doors. Children of the primary, intermediate and senior classes, children of a larger group, and teachers contributed to the assemblage, whose enjoyment of the various views was convincingly demonstrated by their enthusiastic appreciation. The difficulty in the way of darkening the hall, which had rendered it impossible to hold the matinee on Wednesday, had been obviated, and although light could not be entirely excluded the conditions were on the whole favorable to a realistic exhibition. The scene of the terrible invention, Hiram Maxim, firing his famous gun, was strikingly real, the fire flashes as the messengers of death sped on their way being perfectly shown. The view of the Canadian Mounted Rifles performing their evolutions was particularly life-like, and evoked renewed enthusiasm. A beautifully shown scene was that of the Leicester regiment on their way to the war, the regular, stately movements of the men affording a stirring spectacle. The picture of the early morning at the front, Pope Leo XIII., and concluding with a splendid representation of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, brought the entertainment to a close. In dispersing from the hall Col. Gregory took command, and his excellent methods prevented crowding and crushing, which would inevitably have happened had the children been allowed to leave as they pleased. Even A. Smith's splendid explanation of the feature of the afternoon, and were heard with marked distinctness in all parts of the hall. Last evening the exhibitions were repeated before an immense audience, with the addition of a picture of the late Sergeant William I. Scott, Miss Beverly's exhibition set in motion the "British Volunteers," commented by Mr. Bantly, with words by F. Mortimer Kelly, and the talented singer and composer received ovations. This evening's exhibition will be the presence in uniform of the officers and men of the Fifth Regiment, the "British Volunteers," and in all probability officers from the Imperial forces at this station. This military evening in connection with the biograph exhibitions has been a regular feature throughout the east, and has always contributed strongly to the attractiveness and picturesqueness of the occasion.

—Saturday, Bargain Day, in second-hand bicycles. Special prices. Rambler Cyclery, Weller Bros.

—A rehearsal of the opera, "Black Mantles," will be held on Saturday evening in Institute hall. A successful rehearsal was held last evening.

—Mowat & Wallace, on Yates and Douglas streets, have the finest Early Rose and Burbank Seed Potatoes in the city. They give trading stamps.

—Secher's Council, No. 85, Y. M. L. will celebrate their twelfth anniversary in their hall this evening, when an excellent programme and refreshments will be provided.

—Once tried, always wanted, Pacific beer.

—There's the Victoria Cafe, you know; for the choicest late dinner and 25c for lunch. Delicious flavored tea with cream in the afternoon, with choice cake and ice cream.

—The death occurred at Westholme, yesterday of Samuel Richard, bridge wright, most rancher of that place. He leaves a widow and family. The interment will take place at Westholme.

—In the case of Mordhead vs. the City, arising out of the Police Bill, bridge wright, Fell & Gregory, acting for the plaintiff, have secured a restraining order preventing the city from proceeding with the work of removing the bridge.

—A meeting of the general committee in connection with the Queen's Birthday celebration will be held on Wednesday evening next, when the report of the finance committee will be submitted and final appropriations made. The other committees will also submit reports. The various canvassing committees are reporting excellent progress in their various districts.

—The Grand Lodge, K. of P., will hold its annual meeting in Rossland, next year, to commence on Monday next. There are three delegates from Victoria: T. D. Barnhardt, representing Far West Lodge, No. 1, and Messrs. W. D. Kinnaird and J. J. Randolph, Victoria Lodge, No. 17. The Grand Lodge officers are: G. G. W. D. Means, G. V. C., J. W. Graham, G. P. J. L. Brown, G. M. at A. N. Burns, G. K. and S. E. Prender, G. M. of Ex., E. P. Nathan; G. G. J. D. Griffiths, G. O. G. A. Ferguson.

—In the police court this morning Herbert King was charged with drunkenness and fined \$2.50 or five days' imprisonment with hard labor. Edward Maylon was charged with a similar offense, but as he did not appear his bail of \$10 was exonerated. T. Netes was charged with attempting to wound G. L. Young, a teacher of languages. Netes and another man, it appears, are partners in the proprietorship of a Government street restaurant, and were desirous of dissolving partnership. The other man, Peter Meire by name, consequently engaged Yankay to make out the accounts, and while doing so a dispute arose between him (Yankay) and Netes; in which the latter, it is alleged, suddenly grabbed a knife and threatened to kill Yankay. Netes was taken in charge by Chief of Police Langley. The case was remanded until to-morrow morning.

—Call and inspect the fine stock of lawn tennis and cricket goods just opened at Henry Short & Sons, 72 Douglas street.

—Members of the newspaper fraternity in Victoria and London, and a large number of students, are attending the examination in the Buffalo University Medical School D. J. King, formerly of the Times staff, secured his degree as M.D., standing well in the class and winning an appointment to the staff of the Buffalo general hospital. The hospital is one of the best equipped in America, and in the opinion of such a competent authority as Dr. Dennis, of New York, its surgical clinic is without a peer in the world. Another young man who won similar distinction is Edgar R. McGuire, four years ago one of the star players on the Vancouver lacrosse team. Dr. McGuire began his studies in Niagara University, but the medical department was merged with that of Buffalo University, and in this way the two British Columbians became members of the same class. The work of both in the responsible posts which they have won by merit will be watched with interest by their many friends in the West.

—"Pacific," the family beer.

—The will of the late Alexander Dunsinuir has been filed here for probate, and a certified copy filed in the office of the county clerk at San Francisco. The will, which is witnessed by James Lowe, of San Jose, Cal., and James P. Taylor, of Oakland, Cal., reads as follows: "I, Alexander Dunsinuir, of San Francisco, California, United States of America, hereby revoke all wills and testamentary dispositions heretofore made by me, and declare this to be my last will and testament. I give, devise and bequeath all my property, both real and personal, whosoever it may be, unto my brother, James Dunsinuir, of Victoria, province of British Columbia, absolutely, and I appoint the said James Dunsinuir sole executor of this my will. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of December, 1899. Alexander Dunsinuir." No mention is made in the will, it is noticed, of the widow of the testator, Mrs. Dunsinuir, nee Mrs. Wallace, mother of the celebrated actress Edna Wallace. However, full provision was made for her by the deceased prior to his death, he having conveyed to her, among other properties, the Southern estate at San Leandro, which is her present home. The property belonging to the estate in British Columbia, conveyed in the will to Mr. James Dunsinuir, is valued at \$645,100. The only items included in the list of assets in California are \$400 in cash, and an interest in the business of R. Dunsinuir's Sons, valued at \$150,000.

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LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

Resident of James Bay Takes Action Against City for Damages Done to His Property by Floods.

On Monday the Full Court will commence its May session. Six notices of appeal were filed, but in two of these notices of abandonment had been given. Those cases abandoned are the Union Colliery Co. vs. McAllen, and Dunsinuir vs. McAllen, appeals from the judgment of Mr. Justice Martin against the appointment of W. J. McAllen as one of the arbitrators in the dispute between the coal companies and the government in reference to the working of the Coal Mines Regulations. The arbitrators have since given their award, and as the coal companies are satisfied with it, they have abandoned their appeal. The appeals to be heard by the Full Court are as follows:

Dunlop v. Haney, an appeal from a decision of Mr. Justice Irving; Mr. Elberts for the plaintiff and Mr. Elliott for the defendant.
New Vancouver Coal & Land Company v. the E. & N. Railway Company, an appeal from an order of Mr. Justice Martin; Mr. Aikman for the plaintiff and Mr. Boney for the defendant.
King v. Bonthe, two appeals from orders of Judge Foir; Mr. E. J. Deacon for defendant and Mr. W. J. Nelson for defendant.

At the sitting of the County Court yesterday the action of Mr. O'Connor, of James Bay, vs. the City, was heard by Mr. Justice Drake. This was an action for damages to the property of the plaintiff caused by floods last winter. It was alleged by the plaintiff that the damages caused to his property resulted from the bursting of the city drain, but this was denied by the city. Judgment was reserved. Mr. W. Moresby appeared for plaintiff and Mr. Bradburn for the city. In chambers yesterday an old case was revived. This was the action of Lovell vs. Brackman, arising out of a dispute in regard to a mortgage. Yesterday the defendant asked for a dismissal on the ground of lack of prosecution. The order was refused and a new notice of trial will be given. Mr. Fell appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Aikman for the defendant.

HE IS A WONDER.

All who see Mr. C. E. Collier, of Cherokee, Iowa, as he is now, cheerful, erect, vigorous, without an ache, could hardly believe he is the same man who, a short time ago, had to sit in a chair, propped up by cushions, suffering intensely from an aching back, in agony if he tried to stoop, and by chronic kidney trouble, that no medicine helped till he used Electric Bitters and was wholly cured by three bottles. Positively cures Backache, Nervousness, Loss of Appetite, all Kidney troubles. Only 50c at F. W. Fawcett & Co.'s drug store.

Mason's Root Beer is healthful.

The boot and shoe stock of C. Davis, of the Vernon Block, is removed to Wilson Hotel, next to Miss Duffie.

The mayor sent to-day to the Lord Mayor of London a draft of \$10, being the fourth instalment of the Mansion House fund. The fund is now closed, the total sum remitted from this city having been \$1,948.15.

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TO THE ELECTORS

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Your obedient servants,

J. H. TURNER,

A. DALLAS HELMCKEN

H. E. McPHILIPS,

RICHARD HALL.

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The steamer "Angels," which was last night, will sail for the South this evening. She will not get away from the outer wharf until midnight, being delayed in loading at Seattle.

Steamer Mowora sailed from Vancouver about 2 p. m. for this port. After loading some 300 and stowing on and embarking her passengers here, she will sail about 9 or 10 p. m. for Honolulu, Brisbane and Sydney.

Steamer Cottage City is due from Alaska ports to-morrow.

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SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WAIRARAPA.

VICTORIA TIDES.

By F. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.6 feet above the all of the August dry dock.

Saturday, May 5.

Sunday, May 6.

Time. Height above zero.

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News of the Dominion

Price of Canned Goods May Be Increased During the Present Season.

Toronto Fire Brigade-Judge McDougall Will Recommend Change of Management.

(Associated Press.)
Toronto, May 4.—The executive committee of the Ontario Firemen's Association met yesterday to discuss the report of the committee on the Toronto fire brigade. At the close of the meeting a member of the committee stated that consumers might be expected to pay considerably more for canned goods this season, owing to an advance in the price of tin, wooden boxes and freight rates, ranging from fifty to a hundred per cent. Ontario fruit packers are urging representatives of Canadian railways to reconsider their action in increasing the rates on canned goods.

His Honor Judge McDougall has intimated that in his report of Thompson (fire chief) investigation, he will recommend that the fire brigade be taken out of the hands of the aldermen.

Windsor, May 4.—Late reports from the peach district of South Essex are very gratifying. Trees are budding out and the present outlook for a large crop is good. Apple and plum trees also look very promising.

Montreal, May 4.—The corporation of the University of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, Que., have appointed Rev. J. P. Whitney, M.A., of King's College, Cambridge, as principal, succeeding Rev. D. Adams, who has been compelled to resign through ill health.

Montreal horse show was opened last evening by His Excellency Lord Minto. The event was attended by a large number of the most prominent citizens of the Dominion. The show is being held under the auspices of the Montreal Hunt Club. The horses in attendance are of the finest quality.

Erin, Ont., May 4.—The barns of Gilbert McArthur and Wm. Sutton, prominent farmers living near here, were destroyed by fire together with all contents, yesterday afternoon. The loss is \$8,000.

Brampton, May 4.—J. A. Austin, clerk of the Surrogate and county courts of Peel, died this morning aged 65 years. Deceased was a nephew of Senator Aikens.

Ottawa, May 4.—The public accounts committee of the House of Commons met this morning. John Connors was examined regarding the output of binder twine of Kingston penitentiary. It developed that Mr. Connors had received \$48,000 for the sale of binder twine, but he had not yet handed the amount over to the government, having given promissory notes to cover the amount.

WRECKED IN ST. LAWRENCE.
British Steamer Runs Ashore—Fate of the Crew Unknown.
(Associated Press.)
St. John, Nfld., May 4.—The British steamer Montpelier, of the Elder-Deane line, of Liverpool, from Cardiff April 7th, and last Palma April 29th, for Montreal, while bound up the St. Lawrence, went ashore last night in a dense fog at Duck Island, three miles from Cape Ray at the entrance to Cabot Strait.

Nothing has been heard of the crew. The ship is probably a total loss. Cape Henry, Va., May 4.—The weather bureau officials at Hatteras reports that the unknown steamer stranded on the Diamond Shoals appears to have broken in two, and that her stern is settling. She is ten or twelve miles off the point. The crew is doubtless safe.

Crew Safe.
Later—the Montpelier struck at nine o'clock last night and beat out her bow and bottom on the rocks. She is breaking in pieces to-day. Her crew landed to-day from the steamer and were taken to the coast waiting for daylight. The crew had many narrow escapes while launching the boats in the darkness.

AMERICAN TERRITORY.
Porto Rico Subject to the Constitution of the United States.
(Associated Press.)
St. Paul, Minn., May 4.—United States District Judge Locken, in this city, has decided that the ratification of the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain made Porto Rico American territory and subject to the constitution of the United States without any further act of Congress.

The decision was given in the case of Raphael Ortiz v. Porto Rican, who is seeking release from the state prison at San Juan on the ground that his arrest for murder by military court was unlawful, because of an American citizen, he was entitled to a trial by jury.

FOR FAMINE STRICKEN.
(Associated Press.)
Topeka, Kas., May 4.—The Kansas Indian relief committee has instructed Secretary Anderson to order the purchase of 20,000 bushels of corn in New York to be loaded in a relief ship, which sails next week for Bombay.

VOLCANO ACTIVE.
(Associated Press.)
San Francisco, May 4.—A special from Red Bluff says the north peak of Mount Lassen is thought to be in a state of activity. Rumbling noises and a heavy column of grey smoke comes from the mountain.

CAR REPAIRERS AT WORK.
(Associated Press.)
Buffalo, May 4.—The striking car repairers of Buffalo Central all went to work this morning, and work is progressing as usual.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Annual District Meeting Convened at Nanaimo.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, May 4.—The annual district meeting of the Victoria district of the Methodist church convened in the Hall-burton street church, at 2 p.m. yesterday.

The members present were: Rev. J. C. Steer, W. H. Barclay, J. D. P. Knox, J. P. Hicks and R. Hughes, Victoria; J. W. Winslow, Sidney; G. H. Osburn, Duncan; C. W. Nelson, Chemainus; D. W. Scott, Salt Spring Island; C. H. M. Sutherland, Wellington; T. W. Hall and W. W. Baer, Nanaimo.

Rev. J. C. Steer, chairman of the district, presided, Rev. J. P. D. Knox was elected secretary, and Rev. C. H. M. Sutherland, assistant secretary.

The business of the session consisted of the annual inquiry concerning ministerial character and fitness, and the examination of resolutions and candidates for the ministry. There were no objections raised as to the moral and religious character of the members.

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ALLEGED LOTTERY.

Action by the United States Post Office Department.

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Buffalo, May 4.—A special to the Express from Washington says: "The Post Office Department issued a fraud order on December 18th last, against the National Society of Sculpture, and Timothy Archambault, of Quebec, Canada, for using the United States mails in conducting an alleged lottery. Pierre Longtin, also of Quebec, it is said then took up the scheme where the others left off, using their letter heads and literature. A fraud order was issued against him under date of April 17th."

"It now appears that A. W. Blouin, of Montreal, is conducting the fraud, claiming to have been elected recently a director of the National Society of Sculpture, which has its head office in Quebec. This is the latest of a series of frauds, and the department has kept pace with it by issuing a fraud order against Blouin. The likelihood is that Archambault, Longtin and Blouin are the same person. In each case all exchange offices with Canada were notified and word sent to each of the 75,000 offices in this country. The department is determined to prevent the introduction of lotteries from other countries, and will continue operating against the National Society of Sculpture as long as the fraud is perpetrated."

THE RAYLESSES SENTENCED.
The Father Gets One Year and the Son Three Years Imprisonment.
Edward and William Rayless, father and son, were sentenced to the charges of having stolen the cash of Mr. Gillespie, manager of the Bank of B. C. at Sooke, and stealing a shot gun, blankets, etc., and breaking into the shack of Mr. A. Ward, at Westholm, and stealing a number of articles. The father, Edward Rayless, was sentenced to "twelve months" imprisonment on both counts, and the son, William Rayless, to three years on each count, the sentences to run concurrently.

Before the trial was begun, Mr. G. E. Fowell made an application for the money found on the son's person when he was arrested, and for which he would defend him. His Lordship held he had no power to make any order respecting it, it was that which the crown was opposed to the application. There was no suggestion that the money was stolen, but under the code it was held for expenses of conviction.

H. A. Maclean, D. A. G., appeared for the prisoners in the trial were defended.

THE STOCK MARKET.
Published by Ben. Williams & Co., Brokers, Phone 253.

New York, May 4.—The following are the closing quotations on the Stock Exchange: American Sugar, 113 1/4; C. R. & G. 126; C. M. & H. P. 118 1/2; Manhattan, 94 1/4; People's Gas, 101; C. R. I. & P. 108 1/4; American Tobacco, 103 1/4; Atchafalca, 70 1/4; Union Pacific, 75; T. C. & N. 31; Atchafalca, 20 1/4; Louisville & Nashville, 32 1/4; B. & O. 7 1/4; Northern Pacific, 75; Union Pacific, 75 1/4; American Steel & Wire, 40; money loaning at 2 1/2 per cent.

Chicago Markets.
Chicago, May 4.—The following are the closing quotations on the Board of Trade: Wheat, 67 1/2; Corn, 40 1/4; Pork, 132 1/2; Liverpool Wheat, 56 1/2.

SITUATION IN ASHANTEE.
(Associated Press.)
Accra, Benue, Gold Coast, May 4.—Sir Frederick McHugh, the governor of the colony, is still in Kumasi, and his stay will probably be prolonged until September on account of the state of the roads. His personal danger has probably been minimized by diplomatic means. The telegraphic superintendent, who was wounded after repairing the line to a point with a few miles of Kumasi, and communication is again stopped. More raiding in various parts of the colony is reported.

PAPER MILLS TO CLOSE.
(Associated Press.)
Chicago, May 4.—All the leading book paper mills of the West will be closed Monday for an indefinite period, on account of over production.

MONTREAL MINING MARKET.
(Associated Press.)
Montreal, May 4.—Stock market, morning board—War Eagle, 150, 145; Payne, 122, 110; Montreal and London, 32, 28; Republic, 105, 102 1/2.

A special cable from London to the Montreal Star says: "The Bell-Canada fire has caused British insurance offices to carefully consider the position in Canada. Their books show that during the past thirty years fire losses in Canada consumed 68 per cent. of the premiums, while commissions and other management expenses consumed 35 per cent., leaving a loss of 3 per cent. But they will hang on in hope of better times. It is stated here among those generally well informed in regard to military matters great reluctance to place another British army officer in command of the Canadian militia."

Colds on the Chest
are dangerous; they weaken the constitution, inflame the lungs, and often lead to Pneumonia. Cough syrups are useless. The system must be given strength and force to throw off the disease.

Scott's Emulsion will do this. It strengthens the lungs and builds up the entire system. It conquers the inflammation, cures the cough, and prevents serious trouble.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.

THE PASSING THROUGH.
Arrivals of the Day at the City Hotels—Gossip of the Corridors.

Theodore Kroushner of Dawson reports that a good strike had been made on Kirkman creek, which flows into the Yukon from the east about six miles from the mouth of the river. He says there is nothing remarkable in the strike and no cause for a stampede, but that gold has been found in paying quantities and good wages can be made. From the bottom of one hole, sunk twenty feet to bedrock, over \$800 was taken out in three days, but this was an exceptional case. The pay strike is about five miles up from the mouth of the creek and is about a foot thick. Mr. Kroushner says that Kirkman creek was staked two years ago and there is no occasion for anyone to rush there now, as claims cannot be secured except by purchase.

C. M. Beget, of Cariboo, is registered at the Oriental, Mr. Beget is in every respect a pioneer of this province, having been a resident of Cariboo for more than thirty-five years. He came to this city from France in the early sixties, and joined the general exodus of miners from all parts of the west to the famous gold fields, where so many of the province's pioneers tried their fortunes. Cariboo has evidently proved satisfactory from a residential point of view, as far as Mr. Beget is concerned, for with the exception of one visit which he made to this city six years ago, he has never left the city since. He is now on his way to Paris to attend the great exposition.

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E. Hotercamp, a hotel man of Quebec, is at the Dominion. He is recuperating after a serious illness.

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C. C. Worsfold and wife were passengers from Vancouver last night.

J. J. Southcott and wife, of Vancouver, are at the New England.

J. H. Rowland, a passenger from Vancouver by the Islander.

Mrs. M. Collin, of Nanaimo, is registered at the Dominion.

A. L. Hendon, of Seattle, is a guest at the Driftnet.

D. R. Ker returned from Vancouver last night.

INFALLIBILITY OF THE SCRIPTURES.
In view of the widespread discussion that is going on concerning the integrity of the inspired Word of God, and the serious interest and enthusiasm manifested in the question by the tens of thousands who are attending the meetings of the great Ecumenical conference, the following communication from the Right Rev. Bishop Doane, of Albany, N. Y., will be of universal interest.

"I am thankful to find that the little book, 'My Bible,' by the Bishop of Ripon, has reached its sixteenth thousand. I wish its circulation might be multiplied by ten. I should like it to be a handbook among Christian people everywhere. In our time, when so much ignorance and so much irreverence prevail about the Holy Scriptures; when rash and reckless assertions are made on most superficial grounds; when easy-going indifference accepts unchallenged the crude and unproved statements of people who are really neither scholars nor even students; it is refreshing to find a strong man stating, in the simple words which belong to soundness of learning, wholesome truths about the character, the authority, the inspired nature of the Bible, and about the methods of reading and studying it."

"Whether one does or does not accept all Bishop Doane's suggestions and illustrations, the tone of the book is most healthy and helpful. It is a good antidote to the sloppiness of such current criticism. It will furnish believing men with a tone to their own faith, and an array of well-tried weapons for its defence. It is, in simple enough for the understanding of plain people, and children, and profound enough to furnish thought for well-instructed people."

"And like everything that the Bishop of Ripon writes, it has the fascination of clear style, pure English, apt and sparkling illustrations, and a fervent and devout scholarship."

WM. CROSSLAND DOANE.
March 31st, 1900.
This book is published by the Church & Company, Limited, New York, price 25 cents.

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TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

Michael Hennessy died at Lindsay yesterday from injuries received in a mill where he was employed.

The Copenhagen correspondent of the Times says: "The project of selling the Danish West Indies to the United States has been abandoned. There is strong opposition to the idea, and the King himself is opposed to it."

THE PASSING THROUGH.

Arrivals of the Day at the City Hotels—Gossip of the Corridors.

Theodore Kroushner of Dawson reports that a good strike had been made on Kirkman creek, which flows into the Yukon from the east about six miles from the mouth of the river. He says there is nothing remarkable in the strike and no cause for a stampede, but that gold has been found in paying quantities and good wages can be made. From the bottom of one hole, sunk twenty feet to bedrock, over \$800 was taken out in three days, but this was an exceptional case. The pay strike is about five miles up from the mouth of the creek and is about a foot thick. Mr. Kroushner says that Kirkman creek was staked two years ago and there is no occasion for anyone to rush there now, as claims cannot be secured except by purchase.

C. M. Beget, of Cariboo, is registered at the Oriental, Mr. Beget is in every respect a pioneer of this province, having been a resident of Cariboo for more than thirty-five years. He came to this city from France in the early sixties, and joined the general exodus of miners from all parts of the west to the famous gold fields, where so many of the province's pioneers tried their fortunes. Cariboo has evidently proved satisfactory from a residential point of view, as far as Mr. Beget is concerned, for with the exception of one visit which he made to this city six years ago, he has never left the city since. He is now on his way to Paris to attend the great exposition.

C. B. Sward, fishery inspector, of New Westminster, was a guest at the New England last night. He left for Nanaimo this morning.

Walter Cartledge, of London, Eng., arrived by the Victoria this morning on a visit to friends in Victoria.

Hugh McLean, who is in charge of some of the dyking work in the Fraser valley, is registered at the Driftnet.

E. Hotercamp, a hotel man of Quebec, is at the Dominion. He is recuperating after a serious illness.